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Jefferson to Harwood TO Mr HARWOOD. TREASURER OF MARYLAND

Philadelphia August 22. 1791

Sir

The Commissioners for the public buildings at Georgetown inform the President that they are in want of a sum of money for the objects of their appointment, and that they suppose you will accept his draught for the first instalment of the money granted by the State of Maryland. The President being unwilling to make any draught but on a certainty of its acceptance, I am to ask the favor of your information whether, from the circumstances of the funds, you find yourself in a condition to accept his draught for the first instalment or for any, & what, smaller sum. I have the honor to be &c

Th: Jefferson

[Ms., p. 279, *American Letters*, Vol. IV, 1788–92, State Department Archives in the National Archives.]